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18 January 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Inadvertent or Unauthorized Disclosures of Classified Information to the News Media

25X1 1. The "package" starts with a [redacted] memorandum to DCI from three NPIC employees concerning [redacted] in a Washington Post article. This memorandum [redacted] suggests to the DCI that "the best recourse is an extensive review of all current guidelines [redacted]"

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2. DCI's note on the cover sheet says "My view is for me to sign a letter to SecState, Def, NSC, UN, etc.?"

[redacted]

4. There follows a 31 October 1977 Executive Secretariat routing slip for DDS&T action to prepare a response for DCI signature. (Paragraph two above).

5. DDS&T sent a 23 November 1977 package to DCI with (a) draft letter to the three NPIC employees; (b) Statement for DCI Notes (already released); (c) draft letter to Brzezinski (not clear where decision was made for only one addressee).

25X1 6. On 14 December 1977, ADDCI sent comment to DDS&T regarding the [redacted] package. You felt there were two different problems involved: (a) inadvertent disclosures; and (b) advertent disclosures or leaks. (DDS&T thought the letter as drafted covered both). You suggested briefing non-Agency Public Affairs officers and suggested discussing this with Hetu.

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7. [] DDS&T, has talked with Hetu, who thinks sending the letter to Brzezinski is fine, but prefers to wait on briefing the non-Agency Public Affairs officers until after publication of the Executive Order.

8. To close the loop, three actions remain:

a. DCI sign the draft letter replying to the three NPIC employees which speaks of issuing a statement in the DCI Notes as has been done, but also of sending an appropriate memorandum to the NSC, SecState, SecDef and responsible officials in the Intelligence Community which has not been done.

b. Decision on whether DCI signs draft memorandum to Brzezinski (if not, letter to NPIC must be so amended);

c. Decision on whether this memorandum goes also to other addressees suggested originally (paragraph two above). (If not, again amend NPIC letter.)

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Attachments:
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